

“Ribbons” Letter

Throughout much of the story “Ribbons,” there is a misunderstanding between Stacy and Grandmother. You will write a letter from the point of view of one of the characters (Stacy or Grandmother) to the other main character that discusses this misunderstanding. In your letter, express the problem and how you feel about it.

Answer the questions below before you start writing, and use the answer to help develop the content of your letter.

Next week, you will share your letters with a student from the other team who wrote from the opposing point of view. You will respond to that person’s letter from the point of view of your character.

Planning Questions:

1. Where do Stacy and her family live?
2. Who is coming to live with Stacy and her Family?
3. Why does Stacy have to stop her ballet lessons?
4. How does Stacy react?
5. How does Stacy feel about her grandmother at first?
6. In what ways does Stacy’s grandmother treat her and her brother differently?
7. Why does she treat them differently?
8. What are Stacy’s reasons for feeling resentful of her grandmother?
9. What happens when Stacy shows her Grandmother her ballet slippers?
10. Why does she react this way?